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## OBJECTIONS EXPECTED

With the first glamour worn off of Hughes' statement of the American proposals for the limitation of armaments worn off, objections and suggestions from the other powers are making their appearance. It was not to be expected that it would be otherwise, that all would forthwith accept in toto the plans of the United States, adjourn and go home. Telegraphic reports show there are some wide differences of opinions in the home countries of the various delegations, especially in Great Britain.

With remarkable unanimity and in apparently joyous acclaim the heads of the British, Japanese, French and Italian delegations stated their "acceptance in principle" of the proposals and then—well, then the objections and suggestions began.

Press reports quote A. J. Balfour, acting head of the British delegation in the absence of Lloyd George, as promising "full and loyal cooperation of the British nation," and adding "we look at it as the greatest reform in armaments and preparation for war that has ever been conceived or carried out. I do not pretend that this or any other scheme can deal with every subject. It does not deal with land armaments but what it does do is one of the biggest things that has ever been done by constructive statesmanship." Similar praise was voiced by Japan, France and Italy.

And then—Great Britain thinks 90,000 tons of submarines is too much for the United States and the United States thinks that amount is little enough considering her long coast line. Great Britain objects to the ten years holiday in ship construction, that is to a complete holiday, and wants to keep up a campaign of replacements in some shipyards, not a campaign for increase but one for maintenance to the present standard.

Japan would not have a ship building holiday under the proposals and would have to build on an extensive scale to bring her navy up to 60 percent of the strength of those of the United States and Britain but she does not think a 60 percent strength is enough and her delegates will define their country's position and the factors entering into her plea for a larger ratio.

France and Italy, considering how Britain and Japan "accept" the proposals cannot see why their respective navies should not be increased rather than decreased and Italy cannot see why her navy should not be at least as large and as strong as that of France. Her delegates point out that during the war Italy and France devoted their energies almost entirely to strengthening their armies.

And so it stands. But the situation is not to be considered as especially threatening or even disappointing for it is just what was to be expected. Experiences of the past, the attitude of the world at present, all tend to make the nations jealous of their prestige and fearful of a weakening of their defensive strength. It is to aid in the elimination of such jealousy, to allay such fearfulness that the conference was called and its affairs are now crystallizing into something so concrete that it can be taken up and examined and handled, turned over and over, investigated and worked upon.

The opening of the conference has been particularly auspicious and now the real test is at hand, whether it is to be a "tug-of-war" or a "tug of peace" the deliberations that are to come will determine.

## SUGAR CROP ESTIMATES

Decrease in the world's sugar crops of nearly a million tons is estimated by Willet & Gray in a preliminary crop estimate published October 27. Their figures for 1922 are 935,059 tons less than the 1921 output and nearly 2,900,000 tons less than the record output of 1914-15. In reaching these figures the next Cuban crop is put at 3,000,000 tons.

Decreased acreage in plantings as a result of the lower sugar prices and high production costs of the past season and the closing down of some factories and mills because of financial stringency are the chief factors expected to enter into reduction of the output but the figures are only tentative and it is admitted that the Cuban situation is something of an enigma.

While Willet & Gray's estimated decrease would indicate that the strategic position of the sugar market in the coming campaign will be much stronger than the last, it is not to be assumed that immediate or large advances in the price are to be expected. There is a countervailing influence that must be considered, the large carry over from the 1921 crop. The Cuban surplus must be absorbed and there are other surpluses in other parts of the world. It should be remembered that it is a very few weeks ago that there were threats of the throwing overboard of the entire Cuban surplus at two cents a pound and that it was finally determined to carry it along into next year and not to sacrifice it by throwing on the market all at once. The marketing of the remains of the old crop in connection with the new crop, even though the latter be reduced about six percent under this year's production must have a tendency to hold prices down. There is not the occasion for buyers to rush into the market in a wild scramble to secure supplies, at least not in the earlier stages of the campaign.

Such estimates as that issued by the New York sugar experts are rightfully encouraging, tend to a feeling of optimism but should not be permitted to rouse expectations unduly.

Here is a symphony in color clipped from the classified advertising columns of the Watsonville, California, Evening Pajeronian: "Lost or strayed in the vicinity of Green or Brown Valleys, a red cow with a black and white calf." They probably disappeared into the purple hazes that nestle at the feet of the pink topped mountain as the sun sank, crimson and gold, behind the blue western horizon.

The County library is making purchases of books and intends to buy many more but its resources are limited. Its management will be glad to receive any contributions from residents of Maui who have works they have finished reading and do not care especially to retain. The library cannot give books away but has made "permanent loans" of a number of books to some of the schools and

## THE OPTIMISTIC PESSIMIST

It sounds complicated but there is much meat in the aphorism that the more one knows the more one knows one ought to know. It could be added that he begins to know how little he really knows. The wisest men still have much to learn and recognize the fact.

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While it is true that he who talks without thinking runs a greater risk than he who thinks without talking, the world is not made much brighter by the latter.

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The size of families in the United States is steadily decreasing, according to census office reports, but it costs rather more to keep the smaller family than were the expenses of larger ones of a decade ago. The family is as valuable an asset as ever.

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Honolulu is seeking to have the "rough stuff" that has been noticeable in Christmas Eve street festivities eliminated this year. If a start is made with the hard stuff it will be easy to smooth down the rough. Reports of last year said Honolulu was well soaked with oke. The beginning would seem to be to take the oke out of oke, or to soak the oke.

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It has been discovered that the pheasant is a dangerous bird. A head in a Honolulu newspaper recently said "Pheasants are liberated on Oahu; hunters take warning."

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Morality, it has been said, is a creature of education. This is admittedly true of the social type but morality proper is innate, is essentially in the individual and if not led out will find an egress for itself. Social sins are vastly different from moral sins, though there is a confusion in the minds of some of the best intentioned persons as to them.

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That which was wild imagination day before yesterday is the dream of yesterday, the realization of today and the matter of course tomorrow. Yet there are those who ridicule imagination.

will make a similar "loan" to the sanitarium of a large number of books that would have to be rebound if they were kept in circulation, books that are of an old vintage but will still be acceptable to weary patients up Kula.

It is rumored that the special session of the legislature which is expected late next year will make sweeping reductions in territorial and county salaries.

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